

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held November 21, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"American Indian Heritage Month' celebrates the culture, contributions and heritage of Native Americans. Los Angeles County is home to the largest urbanized population of American Indians -- nearly 170,000 residents representing virtually every tribe in the United States.

"Before the arrival of the Europeans, Los Angeles County had already been settled by a thriving Chumash, Gabrielino, and Tataviam people. When Spanish explorer Juan Cabrillo arrived off of the shores of San Pedro in 1542 a party of Gabrielino canoed out to greet Cabrillo.

"Today, American Indians continue to shape the course of our County serving in virtually every department with professionalism, hard work and dedication. This month, we pay tribute to the American Indians who continue to shape our County. The first American Indian Day was celebrated in May 1916 in New York. In 1990, President George H.W. Bush signed a joint congressional resolution designating November 1990 as 'National American Indian Heritage Month.' Similar proclamations have been issued every year since 1994. I encourage all Los Angeles County residents to learn more about the rich heritage of Native Americans."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried (Supervisor Molina being absent), the Board proclaimed November 2006 as "American Indian Heritage Month" throughout Los Angeles County to honor the contributions of American Indians to the Nation's past, present and future.

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